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No Whisky advertisements are not accepted and inserted in this newspaper at any price or under any conditions or circumstances. Not a single one has ever appeared in it.

The True Democrat takes no part in making candidates before the primaries for city officers. It is an election among and of our friends, and each and all shall have an equal showing in this newspaper.

The Tampa Times says so authoritatively and that settles it, Hon. Stephen M. Sparkman will not enter the Senatorial race, and he will go again to the House of Representatives without a dissenting vote to do some more good work for this State.

The Ocala Banner goes out after the Jacksonville candidates as follows: "Jacksonville wants both the United States Senators, the Governor and the Congressman, and then makes faces at the balance of the state because there is a disposition to say that Jacksonville is 'greedy'."

On January 1st, on application of the creditors of the Seaboard railroad, that road, by appointment of U. S. Judge Prichard went into the hands of R. Lancaster Williams, of Richmond, and S. Davis Warfield, of Baltimore, as receivers, and they were instructed to take immediate possession of the property. It is said this will throw much clerical help out of employment, for a time at least, to cut down expense.

General Albert W. Gilchrist, candidate for Governor, in a nice little personal letter, extended the "New Year Greeting," with good wishes to us, which we appreciated. It is always pleasant to be personally remembered on such occasions, and the True Democrat returns to him it very best good wishes for a long and happy life. General Albert Gilchrist is among those Floridians who is always bright, pleasing, charitable and cheerful—"scattering sunshine all along his way," and has friends all over Florida.

The True Democrat notes very often printed stationery—letterheads, envelopes, bill heads, statements, etc., that some of our business men are sending off from Tallahassee for. They most assuredly can get good printing at the True Democrat, or Sun Office, just as cheap, freight delay, etc., added. Do not these business men do themselves, their town, and their printers an injustice in doing so. Would it not be just as legitimate for printers and other buyers of goods to send off for their supplies. Every dollar kept at home in business helps us all.

The new move to prevent Mrs. Eddie from disposing of her money as she pleases, and for so good a purpose, and so soon too after the investigation which decided that she was entirely fit and capable of its management, in this fine American country of ours, looks like the deepest and meanest kind of conspiracy and persecution. Whether we believe in Mrs. Eddie's teachings or not, in their entirety, she should not be nagged at, and persecuted, for she and her churches are doing good in the land, and it is a noted fact that she is patient, loving, charitable, forgiving—all that goes to make up a pure and good christian woman.

The Tallahassee bunch is acting mighty queer. None of them seem to relish having their names linked with the administration crew. What's wrong with the affiliated brethren?—Times-Union.

If you mean the machine "end on it," by "that Tallahassee bunch," you may count on their strengthening the Jennings-Broward machine every time the opportunity arises, and most of that machine have its headquarters in Jacksonville. Nothing but thorough organization and persistent work will ever overthrow that populist machine and put Florida's best men back into the highest offices again.

Don't buy a Lap Robe before seeing my stock, J. D. Cay. 40

AN UNPUNISHED OFFENDER.

When, for the second or third time, certain official examination papers sent out to the several counties by express from the office of State Superintendent mysteriously disappeared, the offense was traced directly to one Dr. Jerry, a negro of Tallahassee, and he was arrested and held to answer the grand jury. Everybody expected that body to indict the culprit, for the evidence, so far as the public was informed, was almost conclusive. The fall term of court passed without any presentation of the matter, and many citizens, of both races, have endeavored to find out why no action was taken.

After diligent inquiry, the only explanation that has been made, or that could be learned, was that the articles so stolen possessed no intrinsic value, and therefore no prosecution for their theft could be maintained. If this was the reason of the failure of the grand jury to act in the matter, then all we have to say is that it is high time that a law be made to fit such cases.

The accused negro, to whom we have previously referred in these columns, was heard to boast before the grand jury convened, that he could not be punished, and to threaten that if he was actually arraigned for the offense, he would "tell all he knew," and intimated that his disclosures would involve others, including some who were "high up," and more guilty than himself. That he was guilty, neither he nor any one else has ever denied so far as we have learned.

This negro, aside from his connection with the stealing of the examination papers, in selling copies to applicants for examination, is a disturbing element in this community, stirring up strife and ill feeling between the races and inciting the ignorant and unthinking of his race to misbehavior towards the whites. His wife, who seems to think herself better than the other negro women of the city, also, it is said, has attempted to organize the domestic servants of the city into a society antagonistic to their employers.

The report comes to us upon apparently excellent authority that the Jerrys were driven out of Gainesville for stirring up strife between their race and the whites!

We have said before that we believe this negro to be a menace to the peace and good order of this community, and have been most heartily commended by some of the most respected and prominent negro citizens of Tallahassee for our plain speaking. We repeat the charge, and we hope that the time may come when he will get what is coming to him, and when Tallahassee will be well rid of him and all who are like him.

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The True Democrat extends to every one its best wishes for a happy and prosperous new year. May it be the very best Tallahasseeans and Leon countians ever enjoyed. We are healthy and prosperous, so let's all be filled with love and thankfulness for the many blessings that continually come our way, each one throughout 1908, striving to make life brighter and better for all others. Always endeavoring to faithfully serve Him from whom all good things come.

A clear eyed, straight brained man with no entangling alliances and with no desire to increase his or any of his friends fortunes by conniving and scheming in his political position and one that will not be aggressive toward the legislative and judicial departments is the standard the people of Florida should select to execute their laws as Governor. —Tavares Herald.

That's a fact, and just such a man as you refer to may be put in nomination, in spite of himself, within a few days, for he is remembered nominations for none of the offices have been closed yet, and no candidate has had "The Great Seal" stamped upon his brow, the thing clinched and the office given to him. Just let's wait a little and see what will happen.

It has been understood all along that Governor Broward would like to call an extra session of the legislature, but hesitated because he did not believe he had cause to do so that would be justified by public sentiment. How would the election of a United States Senator suit the Governor as a cause for convening the legislature in extraordinary session? Perhaps, though, the Governor prefers attending to that matter himself. —Starke Telegraph.

Mind Your Business!

If you don't nobody will. It is your business to keep out of all the trouble you can and you can and will keep out of liver and bowel trouble if you take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They keep biliousness, malaria and jaundice out of your system. 25c. at all druggists.

Lap Robes \$1.50 to \$15.00 at J. D. Cay's. 40

MR. BRYAN AND THE NOMINATION.

After discussing numerous "available" candidates for the democratic presidential nomination, the Ocala Banner says: "The democratic party has a splendid opportunity if it will seize upon it, and the signs of the times indicate that it is in a position to win an easy victory if it rises equal to the emergency, but the republicans predict that it will act with its accustomed imbecility and proceed to throw the fat in the fire and lose out!" Of course the "Ocala Editor," who always professes such admiration and loyalty for Mr. Bryan, is driving at no one else but the Nebraskan in the covert fling. This is of course a perfectly natural and logical thing for a friend of Mr. Bryan to do. —Pensacola Journal.

The Ocala Banner has not lost its admiration nor its love for Mr. Bryan. It thinks him a most lovable man. He has great gifts and wonderful magnetism. He is not only a lovable man, but he is a good man. In all the time he has been in the limelight nothing discreditable has been said about him. No act of his has been questionable. He has undergone the most searching scrutiny of his enemies and has escaped criticism. He is charged with not a single foolish utterance. He is, indeed, one of the most remarkable men of the century.

He is the Ocala Banner's discovery. It was the first paper in all the land to seriously discuss his name in connection with the presidency. Its files will show this, so why should it not admire him!

The Ocala Banner believes that Mr. Bryan is much better equipped for discharging the high duties of the presidential office than he was in 1896. He has acquired a great deal of knowledge since then, he has traveled around the world, has come in contact with a great many intellects, has actively engaged in several campaigns and has broadened out in every way. He is immensely better equipped for the office now than he was then. But the great trouble is we cannot get the party to unite upon him. We cannot get the "other fellow" to look upon as we look upon him. He has created strong and powerful antagonisms. He has twice been the nominee of the party, and both times has carried it to defeat. Those things strongly handicap him for another race. It is unfortunate, but it is true. The discordant elements of the party will not flock to Mr. Bryan's standard. It has been tried twice, and both times has resulted in disaster. The times demand a candidate who has made no strong antagonisms; a man around whom all the elements of the party may gather; a man who can cement all factions, heal all frictions; who will not open old sores, who can gather together all the wavering fragments of the party and be prepared to go to battle with the enemy in a solid, unbroken phalanx. The party wants to become again "undismayed, undaunted and unterrified."

We say this as a man who is seeking no emoluments; who is asking for no office. We say this as one who is friendly to Mr. Bryan. We say this as one who loves the democratic party and is loyal to its traditions, is proud of its history, and whose humble talents shall always be consecrated to its service.—Ocala Banner.

The True Democrat agrees fully with editor Frank Harris in all he says in the above.

The air is full of political rumors. One of the latest is to effect that W. J. Bryan, of Jacksonville, will withdraw from the senatorial race to go in against Frank Clark and that Governor Broward will enter the senatorial contest. Some of the politicians seem to be having great difficulty to get themselves sorted. First thing they know the people will be calling for a new deal all around. —Starke Telegraph.

And a new deal all around is what is badly needed too, since things have been getting steadily worse since the first days the Democrats of Florida compromised matters with soreheads and populists and in conventions put some of them in power and office. The better element of the Democratic party in this State must now organize and fight the machine politicians of the day in earnest, or they can expect the other kind, with the machine behind them, to continue in power, giving out every blessed thing in sight to reward the faithful machine healer and speeler, whether he be fit or competent rarely being considered. Organization and work, showing up the true inwardness of public affairs, will bring results, but nothing else can do it.

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THE PATH OF HONOR.

Gov. Broward of Florida says that he appointed William James Bryan United States Senator for the late Mr. Mallory's unexpired term because of the ability Mr. Bryan has shown "as Prosecuting Attorney in Jacksonville by successfully prosecuting the Ice Trust and by his vigorous enforcement of all the laws of the State that it has been his duty to enforce."

Gov. Folk of Missouri won his high place in the public regard of his State and of the nation by his fearless prosecuting of the St. Louis hoodler ring.

Gov. Hughes of New York became a national figure by laying bare colossal iniquities in the management of the great insurance companies.

Ethan Allen Hitchcock gained in the Department of the Interior a fame of which any American might be proud by pushing the Government cases against public land-thieves.

The liveliest public interest is taken in the activities of men like Francis J. Heney, who prosecuted Government land-fraud cases and who also camped on the trail of the San Francisco grafters; like Attorney-General Hadley of Missouri and Frank Kellogg, the Government's attorney in recent actions, and Judge Landis, of Chicago, who in their several ways have powerfully attacked the great problems of trust monopoly.

There is no surer, shorter road to usefulness and honor than that of the man who devotes zeal and ability to enforcing public rights against private greed and illegal monopoly and to the punishment of the crimes of "high finance."—New York World.

ADVANCE IN SUBSCRIPTION PRICE.

The editors in Manatee county organized an association a few days ago and agreed to advance their subscription price to \$1.50 a year. The large advance in the price of the materials that go into the making of a newspaper is given as the cause of the advance in subscription price. While the cost of publishing a paper is undoubtedly much greater than it was a few years ago, the Telegraph will maintain its present price of \$1.00 a year, but we shall have to ask prompt settlement from our subscribers. —Starke Telegraph.

The conclusion and determination the True Democrat has arrived at, too; but every subscriber should see to it that the subscription is advanced, to at least their date in 1908, so that we may be able to give our readers the best local newspaper possible under the increased cost of production, and nothing but the best should satisfy Leon countians.

WANTED—Position to assist dressmaker. Address Box 198, Tallahassee, Fla. 45-1t

THEY SUPPORT HIM.

Both the Pensacola daily newspapers have come out strongly in their endorsement of Hon. J. Walter Kehoe for Congress since Hon. W. B. Lamar withdrew from that and entered for the Senate to succeed Hon. W. J. Bryan, whom the Governor has appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Senator Mallory.

The Journal, in a double-column editorial, refers to him as the candidate who, in its judgment, represents most satisfactorily "those principles of Democracy and policies of government so ably represented by Mr. Lamar himself." It confesses that four years ago it would not have supported Mr. Kehoe for Congress, even if Mr. Lamar had not been a candidate, but it has become better acquainted with Mr. Kehoe's character and ability in the meantime.

The Evening News says of Mr. Kehoe that, "With a native ability, the knack of getting next to the people, and with a heart that beats in unison with the people he will make a representative in congress of which we can well feel proud." It puts its friends on notice that it is prepared to defend its candidate against any unjust charges based on anything in his political career.

City Tax Notice.

Notice is hereby given that I have the City Tax Books for the current tax year in my hands, and am now ready to collect and receipt for taxes. All who pay during December are allowed off a discount of one per cent. Come and pay promptly.

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City Tax Collector.

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IDA B. BRADFORD,
Executrix of Estate of John R. Bradford.
January 3, 1908. 45-5t

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